

MR. EVANS is reported as describing the state dinners under the Hayes regime by saying "water flowed like champagne."

The nephews and nieces of the late Samuel J. Tilden having determined to break the will of the deceased statesman, are fighting for time and contesting its probate, and they are right. It is an unjust will and on grounds of sound public policy alone it ought not to be permitted to stand.

It is very significant of the future of Memphis that a merchant from West Plains and another from Thayer, Mo., made their appearance upon our market, yesterday, and expressed themselves surprised by our facilities and advantages. They promise to be not only customers but ardent friends of Memphis.

PROF. E. E. BARNARD, of the Vanderbilt University, dubs Prof. Wiggins a fraud and a charlatan, and the New Orleans Times-Democrat says that his latest prophecy was sent out as an advertising dodge to help his almanac and secure for it a wide circulation, and it denounces him as a humbug. But he has, nevertheless, got his work in.

If Wiggins was anywhere near to the people of Charleston he would stand a good chance of being lynched, because of the trouble and sorrow he has made for many families by his prediction of earthquakes, tornado and cyclones on the 25th south of the thirty-third parallel. A dispatch from that city says "there will be no rest" there until after next Wednesday. Many families have been sent away and all who could have made preparations for a shaking short of absolute destruction.

MILLIONAIRE MACKAY says this country is good enough for him and that he never contemplated building a residence in London or Paris. He says, also, that he does not want newspaper notoriety, that it is unpleasant to him and to his wife, and, additionally, that what has been recently published about him and his family is utterly without foundation in fact. This ought to have the effect of releasing Mackay from further persecution. But it won't. A millionaire is the reporter's meat, and he must bear up under the consequences of his millions.

The proposition of the Illinois Commissioners, made yesterday, to kill the 2000 head of cattle now in the two distilleries where pleuro-pneumonia prevails, and to cremate all that upon microscopic examination were found infected, should have been adopted and carried into effect. Nothing short of so judicious a measure can save the best trade of Chicago. Even the cremation of the whole 2000 would be a cheap way out of a dilemma that grows more serious every day. Cremation is the one effective preventive of the spread of epidemics.

A DISPATCH elsewhere says there is no foundation for the reported treaty with Great Britain in settlement of the fisheries question, and another from Gloucester says that such a treaty would be death to the fishing interests of New England. We think our fellow citizens of the North can contain their son's in peace. Secretary Bayard can be relied upon to guard their interests and save them from the ruin they dread. They ought to have the privilege of trading in Canadian ports. The commonest dictates of humanity would seem to us to dictate such a safeguard, and our government should insist upon it.

The confession that Mr. Abram Hewitt makes in an interview on the third page is a sad one, and a severe reflection upon our legislative methods that could not be incurred except by the personal jealousies and ambitions that are permitted to interfere with public affairs and absolutely retard the public business, to the detriment of the vital interests of the people. It is a flagrant outrage that any man anywhere should be permitted to obstruct the public business, to lord it like a boss, dictate his preferences and postpone legislation. We know of no more odious tyranny. It is the very antithesis of sound Democracy, and should be suppressed and put under foot at any cost. The people must be free.

The hopeful outlook for cotton is among the encouraging features of the business situation. Manufactured goods are in active demand, the mills here and abroad are running on full time, and the general condition of trade the world over is healthful and promising. In the face of a crop, varying in the opinion of statisticians from 6,500,000 to 6,750,000 bales, the value of the staple is advancing daily and the belief is widespread that the present prices will not be materially lowered, and many are of the opinion that even a higher level of prices will be attained. The reports from Manchester yesterday were of an encouraging nature, and that proverbially cautious market is not given to rose colored descriptions of the trade situation. The advice from there reported "cloths firm, sellers asking advance." As this is the first intimation received from that quarter in a long time that did not convey the intimation that Manchester spinners were starving to death and holding on to life by their eyelids, it is safe to infer that business is on something of a boom over there.

THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

THE PRESIDENT ATTENDING TO CURRENT BUSINESS.

To Form a National Medical and Surgical Society—Appointment—General News.

WASHINGTON, September 24.—The President was kept pretty busy today receiving visitors and attending to current business. Among those who had interviews with him during the day were Secretary Lamar, Acting Secretary Drum, Acting Attorney General Jenks, First Assistant Postmaster General Stevenson, Assistant Secretary Thompson, Solicitor McCue, Senators Voorhees and McPherson, Lieut.-Gen. Sheridan and Commissioner Coleman. The afternoon reception for general visitors was attended by about fifty persons, mostly ladies.

Appointments by the President.
WASHINGTON, September 24.—The President today appointed Douglas Tyler, of Virginia, to be principal clerk on private land claims in the General Land Office, and Thomas F. Pettus, of Mississippi, to be United States consul at Ningpo, China.

Testing Her Speed.
WASHINGTON, September 24.—The Navy Department is now informed that the steamship Atlanta has not gone to sea, as was supposed, upon her trial trip, but is making a short trial in Long Island Sound to test her speed.

Sustained by the Madrid Government.
WASHINGTON, September 24.—Consul General Williams, at Havana, in reply to a dispatch from the Secretary of State, confirms the report that the Madrid government has sustained the Cuban authorities in their refusal to carry out the treaty arrangement as it is understood in this country, making mutual concessions to American and Spanish vessels trading between Cuba and this country. The Spanish authorities to ascertain what the latter mean and ultimately to the annulment of the arrangement, or the conclusion of a new one.

Pleased at the Removal of the Christians.
WASHINGTON, September 24.—The Acting Secretary of War has received a dispatch from the Indian agent at a Disbarment of the War Department to the removal of the Warm Spring and Colicabua Indians is a cause of rejoicing to the Indians left there, who are relieved of their fears of attack and are afforded a better opportunity for acquiring habits of industry.

Appointments in Absence.
WASHINGTON, September 24.—The Star says: It is learned that the President will not appoint a Chief of Engineers or a Surgeon General of the Army until after the return of the Secretary of War. No appointment of a Disbarment of the War Department to succeed the late Mr. Lawton will be made until the Secretary returns. It is very probable, however, that Wm. S. Yeaman, at present fourth class clerk in the Quartermaster General's Office, will be promoted to be Disbarment of the War Department, although there are a number of other applicants.

Meeting of the Doctors.
WASHINGTON, September 24.—The representatives of the Medical and Surgical Societies of the United States met at the Army Medical Museum today, and effected a temporary organization by the election of Dr. Bussey, of this city, chairman, and Dr. Ewing Means, secretary. The work was all preliminary, as the subject in hand was to consider the advisability of arranging for regular meetings of the various medical and surgical societies. Dr. Pepper, of Philadelphia, submitted a proposition that it was desirable to form a congress of the societies represented. It was decided to form such a congress, and it was agreed to constitute an Executive Committee of one representative from each society of the Union, favoring the project, and that this Executive Committee should decide the time for meeting in Washington. Also, that at these regular meetings the principal order of business should be an address by the president, and then the presentation of original essays for discussion. It was definitely decided that all meetings shall be held in Washington, but the remaining details, except the address by the president and the essays, will be left to the Executive Committee. Each representative will report back to his society, and if it approves of the plan it will elect a member of the Executive Committee.

The Hog Cholera.
WASHINGTON, September 24.—Late information received at the Agricultural Department regarding the condition of hogs is that in Illinois and Indiana cholera prevails generally. In the former State heavy losses are reported in several counties. In Ohio and Michigan the condition of the animals is fair. In some parts of Wisconsin, however, are afraid to keep hogs on account of cholera, and reports from Iowa are of a similar character. In some cases cholera, pink eye and measles are reported from Missouri, and in Nebraska the condition is considerably below the average. Kansas and Kentucky hogs are generally in good condition.

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COLUMBUS, Miss., September 24.—The trustees of the Industrial College adjourned last night after a session of two days. They adopted the following resolutions on the death of Col. Thornton:
Resolved, That we have heard, with feelings of the deepest sadness, the intelligence of the death of our well loved friend and fellow trustee, Col. J. J. Thornton, a man who, in all the relations of life, did his duty to the fullest extent; who, as a citizen and soldier, had few peers; whose head was clear and whose heart was warm; who illustrated in a high degree the best qualities of manhood, and was an early and staunch friend of this institution, which had become an object of his pride and affectionate solicitude; to whose strong and practical judgment this board, as well as the patrons of the college, and indeed the State, whose crowning glory it is, are indebted beyond all measure for the ad-

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Election Notice.

THE stockholders of the Home Insurance and Trust Company are hereby notified that the annual election for thirteen directors will be held at the office of the company, No. 238 Front Street, on WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 1886, between the hours of 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. B. E. MCGOWAN, President.

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